Application Requirements

QUALIFICATIONS

- Doctor of Pharmacy from an accredited College of Pharmacy or a Bachelor of Pharmacy with equivalent clinical experience
- Licensure/eligibility for licensure in the U.S.
- U.S. Citizen

APPLICATION PROCESS

Due: January 7, 2011

- Application
- Letter of intent
- Curriculum vitae
- Professional transcripts -December Transcript Preferred
- Three letters of recommendation including Recommendation Request form

On-site interviews are required for selected candidates and will be scheduled after review of the application materials. Candidates will be notified of a decision to interview no later than February 15.

STIPEND | BENEFITS

The Veterans Health Administration sets annual residency stipends (currently \$42,350) and benefits for all VA residency programs. Each resident is offered 13 days each of vacation and sick leave/family care, 10 paid federal holidays, and a health care benefits package. Locally, residents are also given educational leave with pay and travel support to attend and present at the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting and SERC.



Clinical Staff: Top (L to R) Jamie Brown, Melissa Durkee, Jennifer Whittington, Cindy Johnston, Bill Bryan, Brian Chatel, Jason Moss; Bottom (L to R) Catherine Woodard, Susan Bullard, Amy Clarke, Janine Kosmoski, Radhika Kothapalli

(Not Pictured: Emily Heritage, Mary Townsend, Dee Melnyk, Shajuana McMillan, Susan Francis, Stephanie Hollowell, Carrie Thomas, Lindsay Garris, Debra Kemp, Jenny Legge)



Pharmacy Residents: PGY1 Class: Top (L to R) Jason Corbo, Jamie Jurkiewicz, Alina Kuo; PGY2 Class: Bottom (L to R) Michael Behrens and Ramonna Cvelich

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PGY-1 Residency



Durham VA Medical Center508 Fulton Street Durham, NC 27705

The Durham VA Medical Center (DVAMC) is a 274-bed tertiary care referral, teaching and research facility affiliated with the University of North Carolina Eshelman School of Pharmacy, Campbell University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and the Duke University School of Medicine. The Medical Center provides general and specialty medical, surgical, psychiatric inpatient and ambulatory services, and serves as a major referral center for North Carolina, southern Virginia, northern South Carolina, and eastern Tennessee. In addition, it serves as a referral center for high-risk open-heart surgery cases, angioplasty, and hemodynamic cardiac catheterization. The Medical Center is committed to the needs of the Veteran, as demonstrated by the research, education and clinical practice programs available throughout the institution.

Program Description

The ASHP Accredited PGY-1 Residency at the Durham VAMC offers a rewarding and challenging experience designed to refine skills necessary to become an independent practitioner. With an emphasis in primary care, the Resident will have the opportunity to become an integral member of the healthcare system to provide complete and detailed pharmacotherapeutic interventions to improve patient care services. As a member of this healthcare team, the Resident will work in a multi-disciplinary environment that provides active learning, instruction, mentoring and evaluation to develop and enhance pharmaceutical care.

Start Date: July 1

Accreditation

The Residency Program was originally accredited by ASHP as a pharmacy practice residency in 1994. The program has been reaccredited since then, most recently in October 2006.

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Goals and Objectives

The purpose of the Residency Program is to develop competent well-rounded clinical pharmacy practitioners. The Residency Program will provide opportunities for the Resident to enhance his/her knowledge, skills, and abilities to effectively provide pharmaceutical care services in many different patient care environments. In addition, the Resident will improve his/her communication skills with other healthcare providers and patients, strengthen drug information skills, learn to promote cost effective drug therapy, and nurture a commitment to lifelong learning.

Educational Affiliations

The Durham VAMC is a teaching institution affiliated with the Duke University School of Medicine and serves as a training site for pharmacy students from Campbell and UNC Schools of Pharmacy.

Practice Areas

Required Rotations:

Ambulatory Care
Internal Medicine
Drug Information
Geriatrics
Pharmacy Administration

Choice of 4 elective rotations

Elective Rotations:

Anticoagulation Clinic
Infectious Diseases
Critical Care/Nutrition
Ambulatory Care/Medication Management Clinics

- Hypertension
- Diabetes

Lipid and Risk Reduction Clinics Formulary Management Internal Medicine Investigational Drug Service

Additional Activities

- Complete and present a residency research project to peers at the Southeastern Residency Conference
- Prepare a manuscript suitable for publication
- Precept PharmD candidates
- Present a case presentation, journal club and clinical seminar
- Write a pharmacy newsletter
- Complete MUE
- Attend weekly Medicine Grand Rounds
- Evaluate and present ADR reports
- Participate in "Landmark Trials" discussions with clinical staff
- Attend P&T meetings
- Attend ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting